

THROUGH THE STATE.

Events of Interest Gleaned from State Exchanges.

THE HAPPENINGS OF A WEEK

Not Detailed in the Telegraphic News.

Accidents and Tragedies.—A Clarksburg man's Heroic Conduct Saves Valuable Property.—Other Items.

The Clarksburg News relates the following interesting incident: Those who have read the printed reports of the city press concerning the burning of a freight car and its contents at the depot Monday morning do not know that by an act of bravery on the part of Cecil Towles, one of the greatest possible accidents was averted. The fire took place in the early morning when but few people were about, and when discovered was a burning, blazing mass. Towles called upon the telegraph operator, Williams, to call assistance. While Williams was gone, the fire gained headway and was attacking an adjoining car containing a large quantity of oil, and 1,000 pounds of giant powder. The fire was intense, but Towles uncoupled the cars, crawled under the fatal powder magazine and, unassisted, by almost superhuman effort, pushed the dangerous explosive a safe distance from the burning mass. Had he been unable to accomplish his purpose, he might have escaped with his life, but the whole first ward would probably have been blown into Elk creek. Mr. Towles richly merits the thanks of our citizens for his prompt and efficient action, and we would be glad to see his conduct rewarded by the railroad company, whose entire depot property he saved from destruction.

A Fairmont young man took a novel method to get a banquet given by his relatives in his honor. He informed his mother he was going to be quietly married on a certain day and would bring his bride home. When the time arrived he drove home with a young lady and the two were warmly welcomed by the family. An elaborate feast had been prepared by the young man's mother, and some intimate friends of the family invited in. The evening was spent in feasting, and after it was all over the "bride and groom" informed the company that it was a joke—that they hadn't been married at all.

While the sixteen-year-old son of James White, an estimable citizen of Trace Fork, was endeavoring to remove a ramrod from his shotgun by loading it with powder at the breech yesterday, the weapon was accidentally discharged and the ramrod passed through the heart of another of the White boys who was standing in the doorway, killing him instantly and fastening his dead body to the side of the door. It is reported that the elder son has lost his reason on account of the accident.—Huntington Advertiser.

There was a big shooting affair in Hamlin, Lincoln county, a few days ago, and no one was hurt. The quarrel arose after a party of people from the Falls of Guyan had got into the place and got jugged. They fell out over some frivolous matter, and then bullets began to fly in every direction. The participants were Perry Johnson and Henry and Stonewall Shelton. When the affair was concluded Drs. Holley and Bowles had to remove a few bullets from the arms of one of the Sheltons, but no one was killed.

Says the Moorefield Examiner: Isaac VanMeter weighed the best lot of cattle in West Virginia on last Monday, and they will be shipped to England for the Queen's Christmas feast. There were fifty-three head of them, and they were bought by John T. VanMeter and Sam Hostetter. Nine of them averaged 1,805 pounds, 14 averaged 1,773, 19 averaged 1,754, 32 of them averaged 1,711, 35 of them averaged 1,701 pounds, and the whole bunch, 53 head, averaged 1,646 pounds.

The Monroe Watchman reports that Anthony Borgardner, who has been in Union for several weeks taking photographs, was arrested there by Detective Robinson, of the Eureka corps, on last Tuesday morning, Nov. 3rd, 1891, on a charge of some misdemeanor, committed in the State of Ohio, and taken to Hinton where he was turned over to the proper authorities.

The Gratton Gas and Electric Light company having absorbed the Gratton Electric Light, Heat and Power company, the two plants will shortly be consolidated. The former company is now putting up a brick building 32x33 feet on their lot into which the dynamos and other machinery are to be placed as soon as completed, which will be in about fifteen days.—Gratton Sentinel.

The wife of Thomas Hawkins, of Sled Fork, Pleasants county, became crazy last week, having gone out into the field near her home and taken all her clothes off, and it was some time before the women in the vicinity could get her to put them on again. She is violent at times, and it is thought it may be necessary to send her to the asylum.

According to a recent article published in the State Journal there have been 18 murders in Parkersburg in the last 25 years and only two convictions, and in both instances the defendants only served eighteen months. Out of the eighteen seven were killed in saloons and four in houses of ill fame.

The presentation of an American flag by the Junior Order U. A. M., to the new Martinville public school last week was the occasion of an enthusiastic patriotic demonstration by 300 members of the order and citizens generally.

Boatwright McClung and W. A. McClellan have been lodged in jail at Lewisburg, charged with tarring and feathering Mrs. Floyd Martin several weeks ago. Warrants are out for several others.

Paris Brumfield, whose name has figured in the Brumfield-McCoy feud, was killed by his son Charles a few days ago. The latter was defending his mother from an assault by the father.

H. J. Hedrick, of Greenbrier county, raised a cabbage which weighs twenty-seven pounds. T. J. Flint, of the same county, raised one weighing twenty-eight and a half pounds.

The new Barlow opera house at Charleston, which cost \$75,000, was opened by the "Little Tycoon" opera company. The house will comfortably seat 1,500.

Major J. J. Peterson, U. S. Consul to Tegucigalpa, Honduras, who is visiting his home in Huntington, was banqueted by his friends in that city a few days ago.

State Superintendent of Schools B. S. Morgan has recommended that Friday, November 13, be observed as Arbor Day in the public schools of West Virginia.

Wild hairs have caused Mrs. R. M. Johnson, of Caredo, to become entirely blind.

An Indian grave was opened on Isaac Elliott's farm, near Kingwood, last week. A portion of a skeleton was

found, but there are evidences that the mound originally contained a number of bodies, and that the grave was fully two centuries old. Arrow-heads and tomahawks were found.

Captain J. R. Parker, a well-known old Kanawha steamboatman, died at his home near Charleston, on the 5th instant.

The Knights of Pythias lodge, of Kingwood, have determined to put up a large three-story building.

Charleston is to have a paid fire department, with an electrical fire alarm system.

Huntington was laid out in 1871, and is now the second city in size in the state.

The big Kenova bridge will be finished in about two weeks.

Piedmont is to have a Democratic paper.

A SWINDLER WANTED.

A Bank President Ruins His Associates in Business.

KANSAS CITY, Nov. 8.—The directors of the Maine Banking company are hourly expecting a telegram from Maine announcing the arrest of A. E. Blanchard, president of the company, on a charge of obtaining money by false pretenses. It is claimed that Blanchard, by a series of shady transactions, including forgery, has defrauded the creditors out of thousands of dollars. Blanchard in 1880 went into the banking business with a capital of \$50,000. He was made president of the bank, and while in the east secured the services of J. R. Clark as cashier. Mr. Clark is a young man and the son of Horatio Clark, a director and a wealthy capitalist of Maine. From Mr. Clark he secured \$2,100 on a forged deed to property which he did not own, but which he pretended to sell to Mr. Clark.

Dr. B. A. Harding, of Blackstone, Ill., Blanchard's father-in-law and a man of considerable wealth, is one of Blanchard's victims. Blanchard would pretend to make loans on gilt-edged security, would receive the money from Dr. Harding with which to make the loan, and then it is charged, would appropriate it to his own use. Dr. Harding says he has been ruined, but declines to say how much he has lost. Another loser is said to be Bates College, the amount being \$10,000. The officers in Maine have been telegraphed to arrest Blanchard.

DIVERSITY OF INDUSTRY

Is the Cause for Encouragement to the South, Says Ex-President Hayes.

Augusta, Ga., Nov. 8.—Ex-President Hayes, who is now traveling in the South with Dr. J. L. M. Curry and his son, E. P. Hayes, in the interest of the Peabody and Slater school funds, was yesterday the guest of the Augusta Exposition Company and addressed a large audience in Music Hall. Ex-President Hayes was greeted with prolonged applause as he arose. After acknowledging the compliment and expressing pleasure at being in Augusta he said the Augusta Exposition is a valuable educator.

"Where else in the world," asked he, "have the results of a great civil conflict been so wisely dealt with as in the United States? Where else has such a tremendous debt been so promptly disposed of? Where else on the globe could a hostile flag (pointing to hundreds of United States flags decorating the hall) been found floating over a reunited and happy people in the lifetime of men who fought against it? How is this to be accounted for but by the intelligence and patriotism of the people and the good work of the schools of the country? I see much to rejoice over. Diversified industry is the secret of the highest civilization, and that you have learned the secret is shown by this great exposition."

PROBABLY ABDUCTED.

Mysterious Disappearance of Two Wealthy Heiresses in Detroit.

DETROIT, Nov. 8.—An evening paper publishes a sensational story that two pretty fifteen-year-old Detroit girls have mysteriously disappeared. One of them is Julia, a daughter of L. Schiappacasse, a fruit commission man who is said to be the wealthiest Italian in the country. The other girl is Emma Bogart, the child of a railway engineer, and the niece of Simms Reeves, the world-famous English tenor singer. The girl herself is said to have a phenomenally wonderful voice.

For some time past Emma has been a bosom friend of Julia Schiappacasse. Tuesday night Julia stole from her home, and since then her whereabouts have been a mystery. Minnie Bogart was called upon by Julia, and accompanied her down town. She, too, has turned up missing, and her nearly distracted mother accuses Julia of enticing her daughter away. Mrs. Bogart advanced the theory that her daughter and Miss Schiappacasse had been abducted and the latter held for a big ransom.

A Horrible Conspiracy.

Mountain Echo.

The Wheeling Register's Charleston correspondent has discovered a horrible conspiracy on the part of the Republicans to carry the state at the next election. The coal mines and manufacturing of the state are prospering and a majority of the people who come into the state in consequence are Republicans. Would the Register have the enterprises which bring these Republicans in to develop the resources of the state abandoned? It leaves one to suppose that it would prefer eternal stagnation to Republican supremacy. Well, there's no accounting for tastes.

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Building Association.

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A Minister Saves the Life of a Neighbor.

Mr. Isaac Snyder, a neighbor of mine, had an attack of the colic and was wishing only that he could die. I gave him two doses of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, and in a short time he was entirely relieved. No family should be without so valuable a medicine. J. S. BAKER, Everett, Bedford county, Penn.

STEELE & CO. will sell a lot of Elderdown quilts at Special Sale, commencing Tuesday.

PRESENTATION OF PRIZE FLAGS

In the Trades Assembly Yesterday—Complaint that the Wholesale Grocers Have Not Kept Their Verbal Agreement to Return Their Old Men to Former Positions.

President Riley, of the Trades Assembly, was still too sick yesterday to preside at the regular meeting, and Vice-President Donley occupied his place. Credentials from the Amalgamated Association Lodge No. 8, and Federal Union No. 4091, were presented and the delegates were installed.

A communication was received, saying that the wholesale grocers had not kept their agreement to reinstate their old men, and that comparatively few had been put to work again. The matter was referred to the arbitration committee of the Trades Assembly, with instructions to bring about a peaceable solution of the question.

The prize flags, appropriated by the assembly to the local unions having the greatest percentage of members in the parade on Labor day, had arrived, and were to be presented. The general committee had agreed that either President Riley or Mr. Corcoran should present the flags, but neither gentleman being present the duty was devolved on Mr. Dobler by a unanimous vote. The first prize, a beautiful silk flag, with gold fringe, was to go to Friendship Lodge No. 2, of the Amalgamated Association, and Mr. Morgan was there to receive it. In an appropriate speech, Mr. Dobler presented the prize, and called to the union receiving it to live up to the principles it represented. Mr. Morgan, with a fervent "We'll try to," responded to Mr. Dobler's address. The stove fitters' union had sent no delegate to receive the second prize, and the presentation was postponed to the next meeting of the assembly. The flags are very handsome, one costing \$37 and the other \$27. There being no further business before the assembly, the meeting adjourned.

THE TERMINAL TELEGRAPH.

The Western Union Company will furnish a Complete Telegraph and Signal Service.

The contract for a telegraph and signal system for the tracks of the Wheeling Bridge and Terminal railway has been left to the Western Union company. There was considerable rivalry to get control of the company's business in electricity, and Manager Tracy got there as usual. There will be a complete system of telegraph wires, with an office in the union passenger station here, one at Fulton and a third in the Martin's Ferry station. There will also be a wire to the signal tower in South Wheeling to operate the interlocking switch system from the north side of the creek, so that all these towers on the company's line will be practically under one man's eye.

In addition to the putting in of the company's own service, the contract includes the valuable franchise of the system for any other wires the Western Union company may desire to put across the bridge or on the Terminal company's poles. This will be of growing value to the telegraph company in the future. Work on the wires will commence in a few days.

For a New Lutheran Church.

Rev. Mr. Keemer, of the English Lutheran church board of missions, preached yesterday forenoon and last evening in Mozart hall, in the Eighth ward. He is here to try and stir up enough interest in the church in the South End to secure a church. There are a good many members of the denomination in that section, and they are so remote from the one church in the city that it is very inconvenient for them to attend the services, and this led to the movement. Those interested are encouraged to believe that the project can be made a success.

The Swindler in Jail.

Saturday the man, Robert McGrann, arrested for trying to pass a bogus check on Bishop Kain, was sent to jail by Squire Arkle to await a hearing on Wednesday. It was learned Saturday that the man had a room at the Hotel Behler, and in it was found a lot more of truck of the kind he had on his person, including a check book and the draft of a letter to be written to Bishop Kain. Rev. McGrann on Saturday recognized McGrann as a man who swindled him out of \$5 by a bogus check over a year ago in Pittsburgh, and it is thought that he also tried to operate his games here at that time.

Desires to Bear Testimony.

Henry Thorne, Traveling Secretary of the Y. M. C. A., writes from Exeter Hall, Strand, London, February 2, 1888: "I desire to bear my testimony to the value of ALCOCK'S POROUS PLASTERS. I have used them for pains in the back and side arising from rheumatic and other causes never without deriving benefit from their application. They are easily applied and very comforting. Those engaged as I am in public work which involves exposure to sudden changes of temperature, will do well to keep a supply of ALCOCK'S POROUS PLASTERS in their portmanteaus."

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I could not sleep, lost all heart in my work, had fits of melancholia, and for days at a time I would have welcomed death. I became morose, sullen and irritable, and for eight years life was a burden. I tried many physicians and many remedies. One day a workman employed by me suggested that I take Hood's Sarsaparilla, as it had cured his wife of dyspepsia. I did so, and before taking the whole of a bottle I began to feel like a new man. The terrible pains to which I had been subjected, ceased, the palpitation of the heart subsided, my stomach became easier, nausea disappeared, and my entire system began to tone up. With returning strength came activity of mind and body. Before the fifth bottle was taken I had regained my former weight and natural condition. I am today well and I ascribe it to taking Hood's Sarsaparilla."

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